

August 17, 1953

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Working Group III

FROM: Gustavus Tuckerman, Acting Chairman
Working Group III

SUBJECT: WG-III Report in response to EDAC D-121

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b) increasing the reliance of a country on trade with the bloc with the aim of exsting strategic imports from it.

The report thereby excludes reference to bloc economic activities undertaken in the pursuit of other objectives, political or economic, without reflecting any judgment as to whether any of these other activities are or should be considered of "economic defense" interest.

③ Taking advantage of particular commodity or trade problems in Free World countries which have made available to the Bloc the opportunity to increase their influence.

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